

General Assembly

Committee Bill No. 82

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Referred to Committee on Government Administration and Elections

Introduced by: (FIN)

AN ACT CONCERNING ORGANIZATION EXPENDITURES RECEIVED BY PARTICIPATING LEGISLATIVE CANDIDATES.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

- 1 Section 1. (NEW) (Effective December 31, 2006, and applicable to
- 2 elections held on or after said date) (a) Notwithstanding any provision of
- 3 the general statutes, no party committee, legislative caucus committee
- 4 or legislative leadership committee, as defined in section 9-333a of the
- 5 2006 supplement to the general statutes, shall make an organization
- 6 expenditure, as defined in subdivision (25) of section 9-333a of the 2006
- 7 supplement to the general statutes, for the benefit of the candidate
- 8 committee of a participating candidate in the Citizens' Election
- 9 Program for the office of state senator in an amount that exceeds five
- 10 thousand dollars.
- 11 (b) Notwithstanding any provision of the general statutes, no party
- 12 committee, legislative caucus committee or legislative leadership
- committee, as defined in section 9-333a of the 2006 supplement to the
- 14 general statutes, shall make an organization expenditure, as defined in
- subdivision (25) of section 9-333a of the 2006 supplement to the general

- statutes, for the benefit of the candidate committee of a participating
- 17 candidate in the Citizens' Election Program for the office of state
- 18 representative in an amount that exceeds two thousand five hundred
- 19 dollars.
- 20 (c) In the event that a statement filed by the campaign treasurer of a
- 21 party committee, a legislative caucus committee or a legislative
- 22 leadership committee, in accordance with the provisions of sections 9-
- 23 333j and 9-333e of the 2006 supplement to the general statutes, includes
- 24 an organization expenditure for the benefit of the candidate committee
- 25 for a participating candidate for the office of state senator or state
- 26 representative, the candidate committee for any participating
- 27 candidate who opposes the candidate that received such benefit shall
- 28 be eligible for a supplemental grant from the Citizens' Election Fund in
- 29 the amount of such organization expenditure.
- 30 (d) The State Elections Enforcement Commission shall adopt
- 31 regulations, in accordance with the provisions of chapter 54 of the
- 32 general statutes, to implement the provisions of subsection (c) of this
- 33 section.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	December 31, 2006, and applicable to elections held on or after said date	New section

Statement of Purpose:

To limit the amount of organization expenditures that a legislative candidate may receive.

[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]

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